

The Honorable Michael K. Powell  
Chairman  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman Powell:

I am writing to urge you to support the pending merger of EchoStar and HUGHES, the parent company of DIRECTV. I believe the merger will increase video and broadband choices for consumers like me.

The combined company will be a much stronger competitor to cable operators by offering local TV channels via satellite in every market in the United States. In addition, the merger will ensure that affordable high-speed Internet access service via satellite is available to Americans nationwide.

I appreciate your consideration of my views.

Sincerely,

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stead have DISH Network. I would like to see a merger of the two so I can receive the same channels as Direct TV

I currently have broadband access to the Internet, but the combination of EchoStar and HUGHES will result in increased competition in the broadband market by providing an affordable high-speed Internet service nationwide via satellite.

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